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9 **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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16 **In the Specification:**

17 Please insert the following section at the beginning of the specification
 18 before the heading "Technical Field:"

19 **--RELATED APPLICATIONS**

20 This is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/854,102, filed
 21 May 8, 1997, which is now U.S. Patent No.--

22 Please amend the specification as follows:

23 At page 2, line 16, change "provide" to --provides--.

24 At page 5, delete line 1 and line 2 in their entirety.

25 At page 5, line 1, insert:

1 --Fig. 2A provides an end elevation view of the handheld computing
2 device in a closed position.

3 Fig. 2B provides a front elevation view of the handheld computing
4 device in a closed position.

5 Fig. 2C provides a side elevation view of the handheld computing
6 device in a closed position.--

7 At page 5, line 20, change "2" to --2A-2C--.

8 At page 6, line 3, change "(Fig. 2)" to --(Figs. 2A-2C)--.

9 At page 7, line 12, change "Fig. 2" to --Figs. 2A-2C--.

10 At page 8, line 3, change "is open. . The" to --is open. The--.

11 At page 8, line 6, change "side" to --end--.

12 At page 8, line 6, change "Fig. 2" to --Fig. 2A--.

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14 **In the Claims:**

15 Kindly cancel claims 1-14 and 24-39 without prejudice.

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17 **In the Drawings:**

18 As was done in the parent case, Applicant submits a new sheet of formal
19 drawings for Fig. 2 .


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21 **REMARKS**

22 Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above amendments prior to
23 examination of the claims. The application now contains **claims 15-23**, which
24 were restricted from the parent application.
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